**And you – would you also like to leave?** (John 6.67)

People leave for many reasons – tired, disillusioned, confused, disagree with others, want a change,
called to something else, pressure too much, other commitments force a change.

This can happen in the workplace, at home, in leisure activities, in churches.

Those in charge (or partners) might be puzzled, angry, confused, philosophical, but it does affect them.

JC had made what seems like outrageous comments: cannibalism (?) (see v56)

Many disciples (note the criticism comes from disciples not Jesus’ enemies!) find this too much. “**This teaching is too hard**” (to accept, not understand) & leave. TEXT.

Is this our experience? Are there things about our relationship with God that might make us question sticking to the faith? Is it hard to accept that God loves all? That we need to forgive? That God wants to transform us?
Or do we baulk at God calling us to ministries? TEXT.

What was the good news for the disciples who stayed with Jesus? NB Peter **“Lord, to whom would we go?”**

Even though still confused, they recognised JC as one who gave eternal life – not so much life beyond death but life of an eternal quality. Jesus had come from God, was the Bread of Life and that was enough.

What is good news for us? A recognition that in Jesus is something special we get nowhere else.

That the Way of Jesus not only sustains us but is the only way to true wholeness for ourselves.

Like Peter we might not completely understand, but we still accept Jesus fully.